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YARRA TRAMS FORCED TO PAY FOR MASSIVE RIP-OFFS

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Almost a year ago, the RTBU commenced a case in the Federal Court against Yarra Trams for ripping off members by not crediting them with annual leave while they were on workers' compensation.

We had to take them to Court because Yarra Trams refused to do the right thing - even when we confronted them with the fact that we had discovered their rip-offs.

The trial was supposed to have started on 14 July 2020. However, at the 11th hour, Yarra Trams has surrendered!

Yarra Trams are now forced to compensate a huge number of current and former members for years of rip-offs! Yarra Trams have been forced to:

- **credit current members with annual leave entitlements that were not credited while they were on workers' compensation; and**
- **pay former employees the value of the annual leave they were not credited + leave loading + interest.**

Over the next few weeks, members will be credited with their annual leave entitlements they should have received while on workers' compensation and former members (no longer employed by Yarra Trams) will be compensated. Yarra Trams must comply with a process requiring Yarra Trams to prove to the RTBU that this is done correctly.

We will be providing further updates to ensure that members and former members are located and properly credited and compensated.

This is an enormous victory for members! The extent of the rip-offs is huge!

This is what a fighting union can achieve. This union will use its resources to fight for its members' interests. We will always hold Yarra Trams to account for its unlawful conduct. We caught Yarra Trams out, we took them to Court and we won!

The RTBU Tram & Bus Division will continue to fight and continue to win!

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